

San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board

Notice of Proposed Cleanup Plan Alameda Gateway Ltd, 85a/b Area 2900 Main Street, Alameda, California

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Summary

The San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Water Board) prepared this Notice to inform the public of the proposed cleanup plan for Area 85a/b at the Alameda Gateway Ltd Site in Alameda. The Regional Water Board is the lead regulatory agency overseeing the investigation and cleanup of this Site.

Site Background

The Site extends to the Oakland Inner Harbor from the northern corner of the Main Street and Singleton Avenue intersection (see Figure 1). The Site is a light industrial property used for ship repair, storage, and office space. The Site has been contaminated by petroleum leaks from former Underground Storage Tanks (USTs), which were located near the former Building 85 (referred to here as the 85a/b Area).

Site Investigations

In April 1990 during removal of two former USTs, petroleum contamination was discovered at the Site in the 85a/b Area. The former USTs included: a 7,000-gallon gasoline tank and a 600-gallon diesel fuel tank leaked fuel into the soil and the groundwater at the Site. The contaminated soil beneath the USTs was removed and disposed offsite. Subsequent groundwater monitoring conducted from 2011 to 2014, showed the presence of dissolved petroleum

and free product (separate-phase petroleum) in the groundwater in the 85a/b Area.

An additional environmental investigation completed at the Site in 2015 showed the free product had extended from 2 to 5.5 feet deep in an approximate 2,145 square foot area within the former 85a/b Area (see Figure1).

Proposed Cleanup Plan

In July 2016, the discharger submitted a draft cleanup plan to address free product at the former UST 85a/b. The draft cleanup plan proposes to clean up the Site by removing free product from the former 85a/b Area via soil excavation and offsite disposal.

The excavation work is planned for September 2016, followed by installation of up-gradient and down-gradient groundwater monitoring wells in October 2016. Groundwater monitoring will be conducted to confirm the effectiveness of the free product cleanup.

Water Board Oversight Process

The Water Board is a state regulatory agency that oversees more than 3,000 site cleanup cases in the Bay Area. Water Board staff direct investigation and cleanup work, and set cleanup standards. Responsible

parties (past owners and operators) propose specific measures, perform the actual work,

and submit technical reports documenting task completion under oversight by Water Board staff.

As part of this process, key Site documents are available for interested persons to review and provide public comments. Interested persons include other agencies, local officials, non-profit organizations, and interested landowners and residents/occupants in the Site vicinity

For More Information

Site documents and groundwater quality information are available at GeoTracker (Regional Water Board UST case # 01-1060):

http://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/profile_report.asp?global_id=T0600100977

Or at:

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30-Day Public Comment Period

The public is invited to submit their comments on the *Remedial Action Plan to Address NAPL at Former UST 85a/b*. Comments should be received no later than September 23, 2016, and should be sent to the following address:

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